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U.S. District Court District of South Carolina (Columbia) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:18-cv-00998-MBS

Robinson v. Department of Veterans Affairs Assigned to: Honorable Margaret B Seymour Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 04/12/2018 Date Terminated: 01/10/2019

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: Federal Question

Plaintiff

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
04/12/2018	1	COMPLAINT against Department of Veterans Affairs (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number SCX300075943), filed by Ronald Robinson. (Attachments: # 1 Supporting Documents)(mwal) (Entered: 04/12/2018)
04/12/2018	<u>3</u>	Local Rule 26.01 Answers to Interrogatories by Ronald Robinson.(mwal) (Entered: 04/12/2018)
04/19/2018	<u>8</u>	ORDER authorizing service of process by clerk and directing plaintiff to notify the clerk in writing of any change of address. Signed by Magistrate Judge Shiva V Hodges on 4/19/2018. (mwal) (Entered: 04/19/2018)
04/19/2018	9	Summons Issued as to Department of Veterans Affairs, U.S. Attorney, and U.S. Attorney General. Service due by 7/18/2018. (mwal) (Entered: 04/19/2018)
04/19/2018	10	***DOCUMENT MAILED <u>8</u> Order Service – Non–Inmate, <u>9</u> Summons Issued as to USA, Complaint placed in U.S. Mail to Ronald Robinson. (mwal) (Entered: 04/19/2018)
06/22/2018	11	MOTION for Extension of Time by Department of Veterans Affairs. Response to Motion due by 7/6/2018. Add an additional 3 days only if served by mail or otherwise allowed under Fed. R. Civ. P. 6 or Fed. R. Crim. P. 45. No proposed order. Motions referred to Shiva V Hodges. (Bowens, Barbara) (Entered: 06/22/2018)
06/22/2018	12	TEXT ORDER granting 11 MOTION for Extension of Time. Defendant's deadline to file an answer or otherwise plead is now July 25, 2018. Signed by Magistrate Judge Shiva V Hodges on 6/22/2018. (mwal) (Entered: 06/22/2018)
06/22/2018	13	***DOCUMENT MAILED 12 Text Order placed in U.S. Mail to Ronald Robinson. (mwal) (Entered: 06/22/2018)

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07/25/2018	<u>14</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint by Department of Veterans Affairs.(Bowens, Barbara) (Entered: 07/25/2018)
07/26/2018	<u>15</u>	SCHEDULING ORDER (Motions to Amend Pleadings due by 10/23/2018, Plaintiffs ID of Expert Witness due by 11/26/2018, Defendants ID of Expert Witnesses Due by 12/27/2018, Records Custodian Affidavit due by 12/27/2018, Discovery due by 2/20/2019, Motions due by 3/7/2019, ADR Statement due by 4/5/2019, Mediation Due by 5/6/2019.) Signed by Magistrate Judge Shiva V. Hodges on 7/26/2018. (bgoo) (Entered: 07/26/2018)
07/26/2018	16	***DOCUMENT MAILED <u>15</u> Scheduling Order placed in U.S. Mail to Ronald Robinson. (bgoo) (Entered: 07/26/2018)
09/05/2018	<u>17</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by Ronald Robinson. Response to Motion due by 9/19/2018. Add an additional 3 days only if served by mail or otherwise allowed under Fed. R. Civ. P. 6 or Fed. R. Crim. P. 45. (Attachments: # 1 Supporting Documents, # 2 Envelope) Motions referred to Shiva V. Hodges. (bgoo) (Entered: 09/05/2018)
09/19/2018	<u>18</u>	RESPONSE in Opposition re 17 MOTION for Summary Judgment Response filed by Department of Veterans Affairs.Reply to Response to Motion due by 9/26/2018 Add an additional 3 days only if served by mail or otherwise allowed under Fed. R. Civ. P. 6. (Bowens, Barbara) (Entered: 09/19/2018)
10/18/2018	19	TEXT ORDER: It appears that Defendant began on September 20, 2018, providing Plaintiff with the relief he seeks. Defendant is directed to advise the court by October 25, 2018, whether it has completed its production of the documents requested, and if not, when it anticipates completion of the production. If Defendant has produced the requested documents, it appears Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment is moot. If Defendant has not completed its production in a timely manner, the undersigned anticipates recommending that Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment be granted and setting a deadline for compliance. Signed by Magistrate Judge Shiva V. Hodges on 10/18/18. (vhor) (Entered: 10/18/2018)
10/19/2018	20	***DOCUMENT MAILED 19 Text Order, placed in U.S. Mail to Ronald Robinson. (lbak) (Entered: 10/19/2018)
10/23/2018	<u>22</u>	REPLY by Department of Veterans Affairs to 19 Order,, . (Bowens, Barbara) (Entered: 10/23/2018)
10/23/2018	<u>23</u>	REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION recommending Plaintiff's <u>17</u> motion for summary judgment be denied as moot and, absent any objections by the parties, that the district judge dismiss this matter. Re <u>1</u> Complaint filed by Ronald Robinson. Objections to R&R due by 11/6/2018. Add an additional 3 days only if served by mail or otherwise allowed under Fed. R. Civ. P. 6 or Fed. R. Crim. P. 45. Signed by Magistrate Judge Shiva V. Hodges on 10/23/2018. (lbak) (Entered: 10/23/2018)
10/23/2018	24	***DOCUMENT MAILED <u>23</u> REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION placed in U.S. Mail to Ronald Robinson. (lbak) (Entered: 10/23/2018)
10/23/2018	25	***CASE MANAGEMENT TRANSFERRED to civil case manager for Judge Margaret B. Seymour. Any future filings must be sent to the Clerk's Office at the following address: 901 Richland Street, Columbia, S.C. 29201. (lbak) (Entered: 10/23/2018)
10/23/2018	26	***DOCUMENT MAILED 25 Transfer of Case Management placed in U.S. Mail to Ronald Robinson. (lbak) (Entered: 10/23/2018)
11/06/2018	<u>27</u>	OBJECTION to <u>23</u> Report and Recommendation by Ronald Robinson. Reply to Objections due by 11/20/2018 Add an additional 3 days only if served by mail or otherwise allowed under Fed. R. Civ. P. 6. (Attachments: # 1 VA's response to FOIA request, # 2 Envelope)(mdea) (Entered: 11/06/2018)
11/19/2018	<u>28</u>	REPLY by Department of Veterans Affairs to <u>27</u> Objection to Report and Recommendation, . (Bowens, Barbara) (Entered: 11/19/2018)

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12/11/2018	<u>29</u>	ORDER RULING ON REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION for <u>23</u> Report and Recommendation. The court declines to accept the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge at this time. Defendant is directed to complete Plaintiff's FOIA request no later than December 14, 2018, and to report to the court once production is completed. If Defendant fails to complete production of therequested documents by the deadline, the court will grant Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment. Signed by Honorable Margaret B Seymour on 12/3/2018. (mdea) (Entered: 12/11/2018)
12/11/2018	31	***DOCUMENT MAILED <u>29</u> Order Ruling on Report and Recommendation,, placed in U.S. Mail to Ronald Robinson (mdea) (Entered: 12/11/2018)
12/14/2018	<u>32</u>	REPLY by Department of Veterans Affairs to <u>29</u> Order Ruling on Report and Recommendation,, . (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 – Declaration of Gwendolyn Smith)(Bowens, Barbara) (Entered: 12/14/2018)
01/10/2019	<u>33</u>	ORDER denying as moot <u>17</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by Ronald Robinson and dismissing case with prejudice. Signed by Honorable Margaret B Seymour on 1/10/2019. (mdea) (Entered: 01/10/2019)
01/10/2019	<u>34</u>	JUDGMENT in favor of Department of Veterans Affairs against Ronald Robinson (mdea) (Entered: 01/10/2019)
01/10/2019	35	***DOCUMENT MAILED <u>33</u> Order, <u>34</u> Judgment placed in U.S. Mail to Ronald Robinson (mdea) (Entered: 01/10/2019)